-- Fig. 7 is an isometric view of a third alternate embodiment of the apparatus of the present invention. In Fig. 7, an inductor assembly 16c includes an inductor member 18c (shown in phantom) and a support member 20c. Support member 20c preferably has physical dimensions substantially the same as the physical dimensions of shoulder 34 (Figs. 2 and 3) and presents an aperture 38 for receiving a rod. Support member 20c is configured as a "snap-on" fixture. Support member 20c is sufficiently elastomeric to accommodate stretching appropriately for elastically receiving and holding inductor member 18c in the configuration illustrated in Fig. 7. Another embodiment (not illustrated) contemplates assembling two facing support members 20c upon a single inductor member 18c to cooperate in elastically receiving and holding inductor member 18c in a substantially fully enclosed holding relation within two support members 20c.--

Please amend the Abstract to read as follows:

--An apparatus for situating [an] a toroidal inductor having an inductor inner dimension, such as a ferrite bead, [with] onto a rod having a diametral dimension. [The inductor is toroidal with an inductor inner dimension.] The apparatus comprises a flexible tubular supporter that [flexes and] has a first end, a second end, a support inner dimension substantially equal to the diametral dimension and a support outer dimension. [The support inner dimension is substantially equal to the diametral dimension.] The supporter flexes when installing the inductor to establish the support outer dimension at less than the inductor inner dimension to allow [sliding installation of] the inductor [about the supporter and the rod with the inductor surrounding] to surround the supporter and [the] rod [with the inductor] situated intermediate the first and second end with the supporter flexed to establish the support outer dimension at greater than the inductor inner dimension intermediate the inductor and the first and second end. Alternatively, the supporter may be a molded or snap-on cover substantially enclosing the inductor with apertures for frictionally fitting over a rod to secure the inductor in place. [A method for installing an toroidal inductor having a first axis upon a rod comprises the steps of: (a) providing a flexible insulative supporter having a second axis, an inner support dimension generally equal to the diametral dimension of the rod and an outer support dimension



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generally equal to the inner toroid dimension of the inductor; (b) flexing the supporter to situate the supporter substantially coaxially with the toroid, with the toroid intermediate the first and second ends to establish an assembly; (c) situating the assembly upon the rod; and (d) slidingly positioning the assembly on the rod at an operational locus.]--